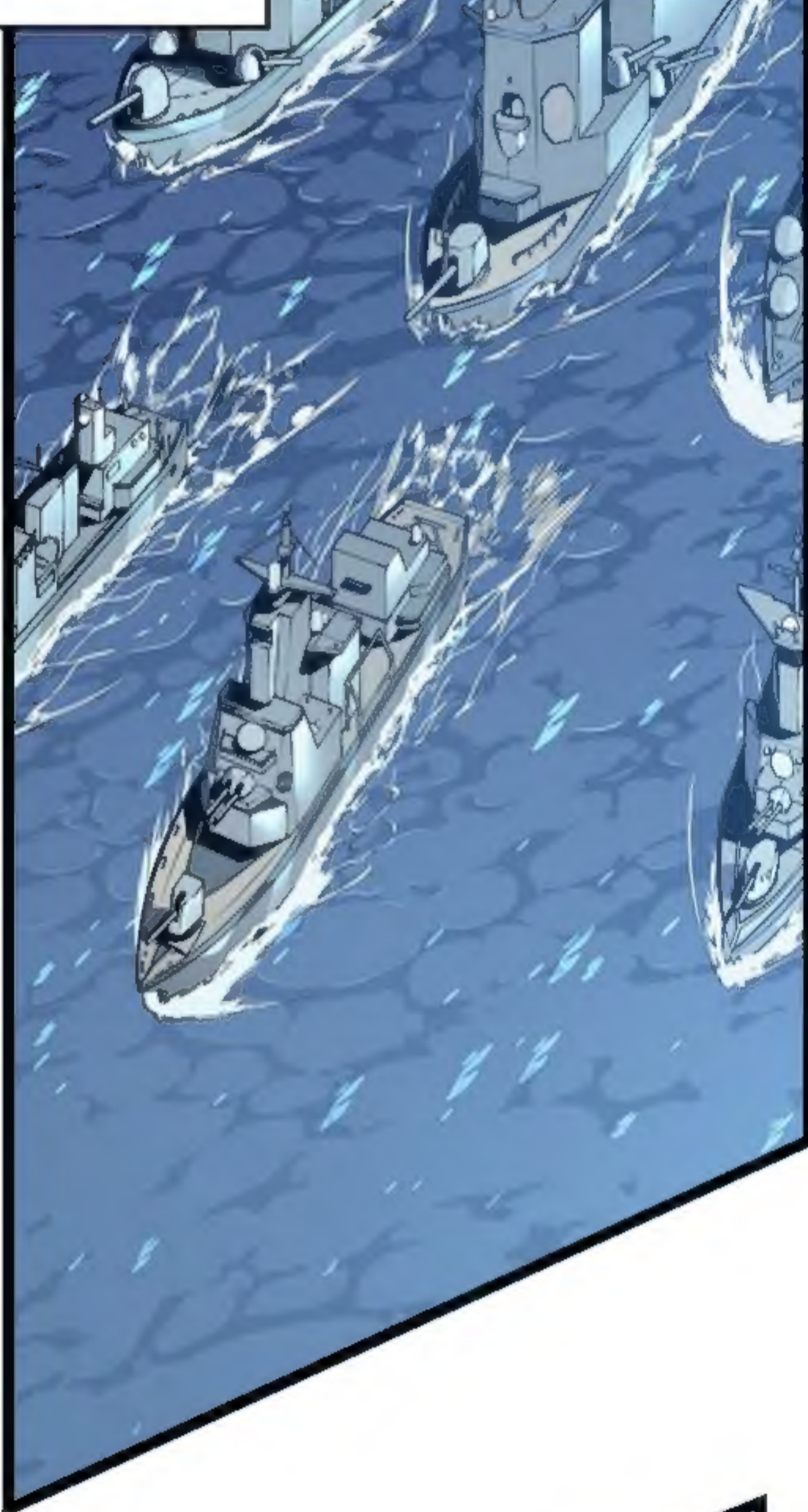


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THE COAST  
OF CHINA



THE COAST  
OF TAIWAN



THE COAST NEAR  
JEJU ISLAND



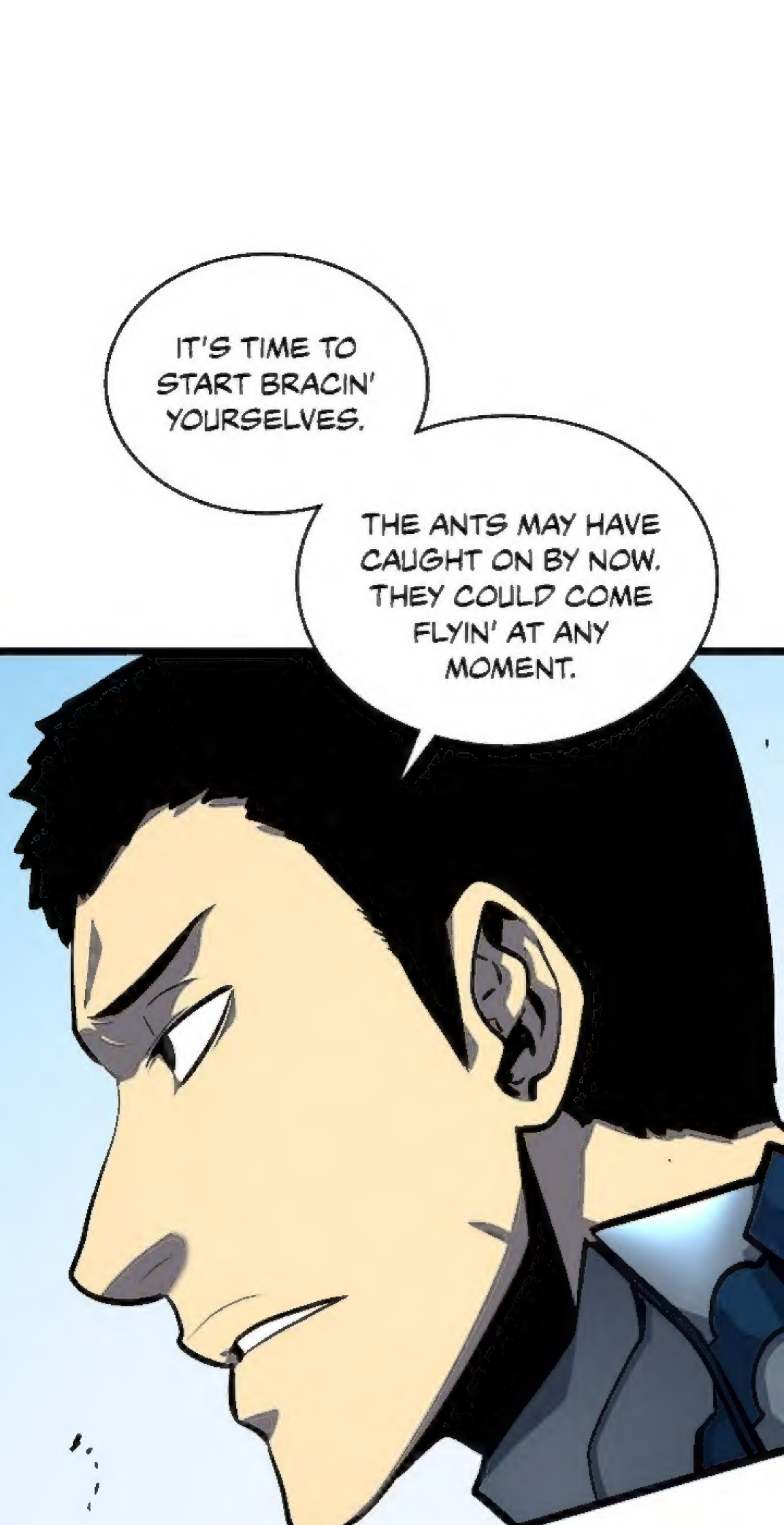
TWO SEJONG THE GREAT-CLASS  
DESTROYERS, TWO KDDX-CLASS  
DESTROYERS, FOUR CHUNGMLIGONG  
YI SUN-SIN-CLASS DESTROYERS,



ONE KANG GAMCHAN-CLASS  
DESTROYER, AND 12 FRIGATES  
WERE ALL DEPLOYED TO THE  
NORTH OF JEJU ISLAND.








IT'S TIME TO  
START BRACIN'  
YOURSELVES.

THE ANTS MAY HAVE  
CAUGHT ON BY NOW.  
THEY COULD COME  
FLYIN' AT ANY  
MOMENT.

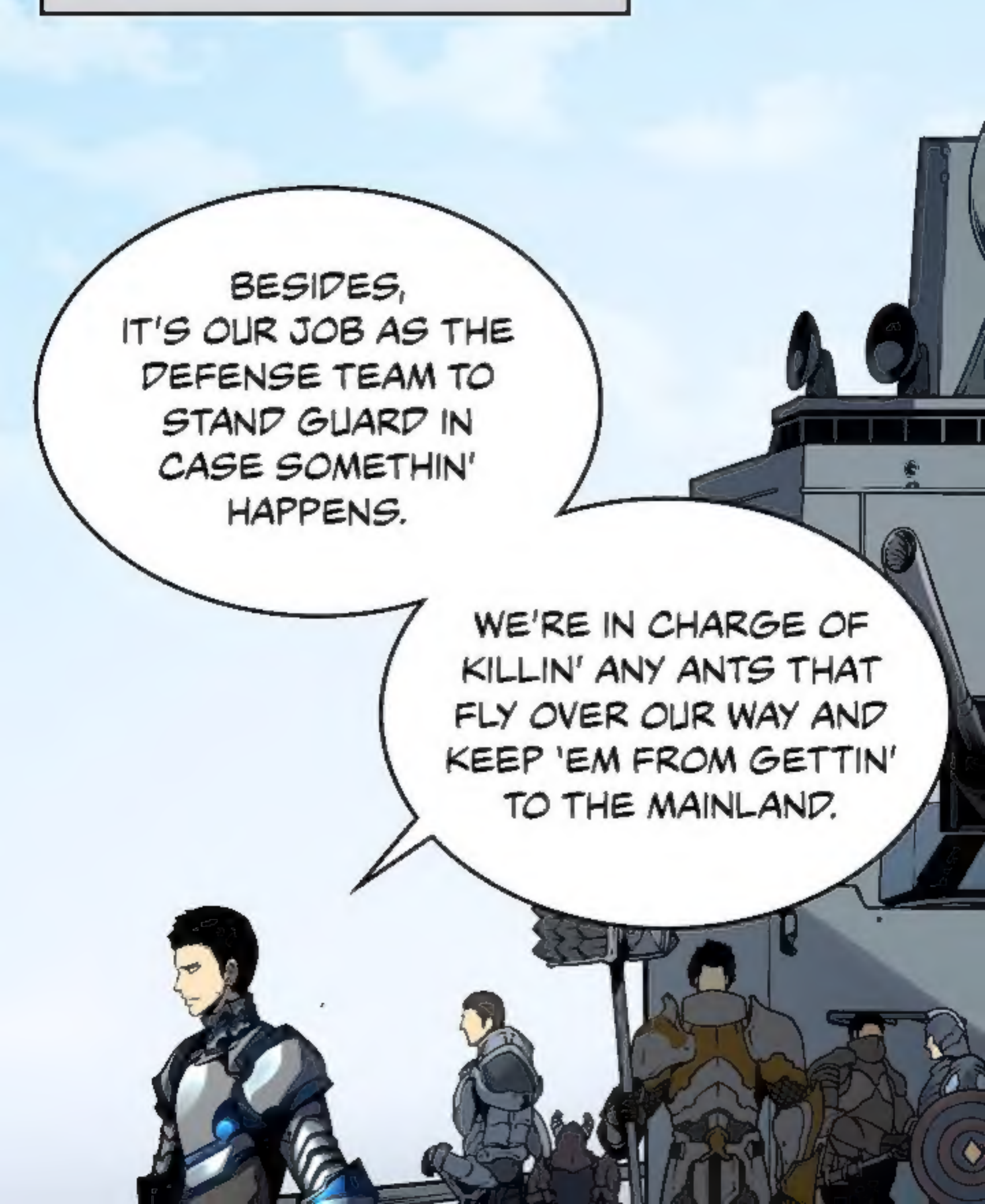


SIR, DO YA RECKON  
OUR STRATEGY WILL  
WORK ON THE  
ANTS?

WE WON'T  
KNOW UNTIL  
WE TRY.



KNIGHTS  
GUILD



BESIDES,  
IT'S OUR JOB AS THE  
DEFENSE TEAM TO  
STAND GUARD IN  
CASE SOMETHIN'  
HAPPENS.

WE'RE IN CHARGE OF  
KILLIN' ANY ANTS THAT  
FLY OVER OUR WAY AND  
KEEP 'EM FROM GETTIN'  
TO THE MAINLAND.



I KNEW I COULD  
COUNT ON YOU, SIR...!  
I, JUNG YOONTAE,  
WILL FOLLOW YOU TO  
THE ENDS OF THE  
EARTH!


WELL THEN,  
MAKE SURE YOU  
WATCH OUR  
BACKS.




BUT THERE'S  
NOTHIN' TO WATCH OUT  
FOR. THEY CALL US THE  
DEFENSE TEAM, BUT IN  
REALITY, WE'RE THE  
STANDBY TEAM.

THERE ISN'T A  
SINGLE THING TO  
DO TODAY.



A character wearing ornate armor with a red plume on their helmet is shown from the chest up. They are looking towards the left. A speech bubble originates from their mouth.

ALL OF OUR GUILD  
MEMBERS ARE ON DECK,  
SO AS VICE GUILD  
MASTER, WHY DON'T YOU  
RUN THROUGH SOME  
TACTICAL DRILLS  
WITH THEM?

A character wearing ornate armor with a red plume on their helmet is shown from the chest up. They are looking towards the left. A speech bubble originates from their mouth.

NOW HOW WOULD I DO  
SOMETHIN' LIKE THAT?  
"VICE GUILD MASTER"  
IS NOTHIN' BUT A  
TITLE, YA KNOW.

OUR GUILD WAS ABLE  
TO GROW THANKS TO  
YOUR GREAT  
MANAGEMENT.

YOU NOT ONLY CAME  
UP WITH THE SYMBOL  
FOR OUR GUILD, BUT  
YOU WERE ALSO THE  
ONE WHO DECIDED TO  
EXPAND THE SCOPE  
OF OUR ACTIVITIES.

I'M GRATEFUL FOR  
ALL YOU'VE DONE,  
BECAUSE I SUCK AT  
MANAGEMENT.

I'M NOT  
FEELIN' GREAT ABOUT  
SENDIN' YOU OUT  
THERE, BUT MAKE SURE  
YA GET BACK HERE  
ALIVE IN ONE PIECE.



FAME  
GUILD





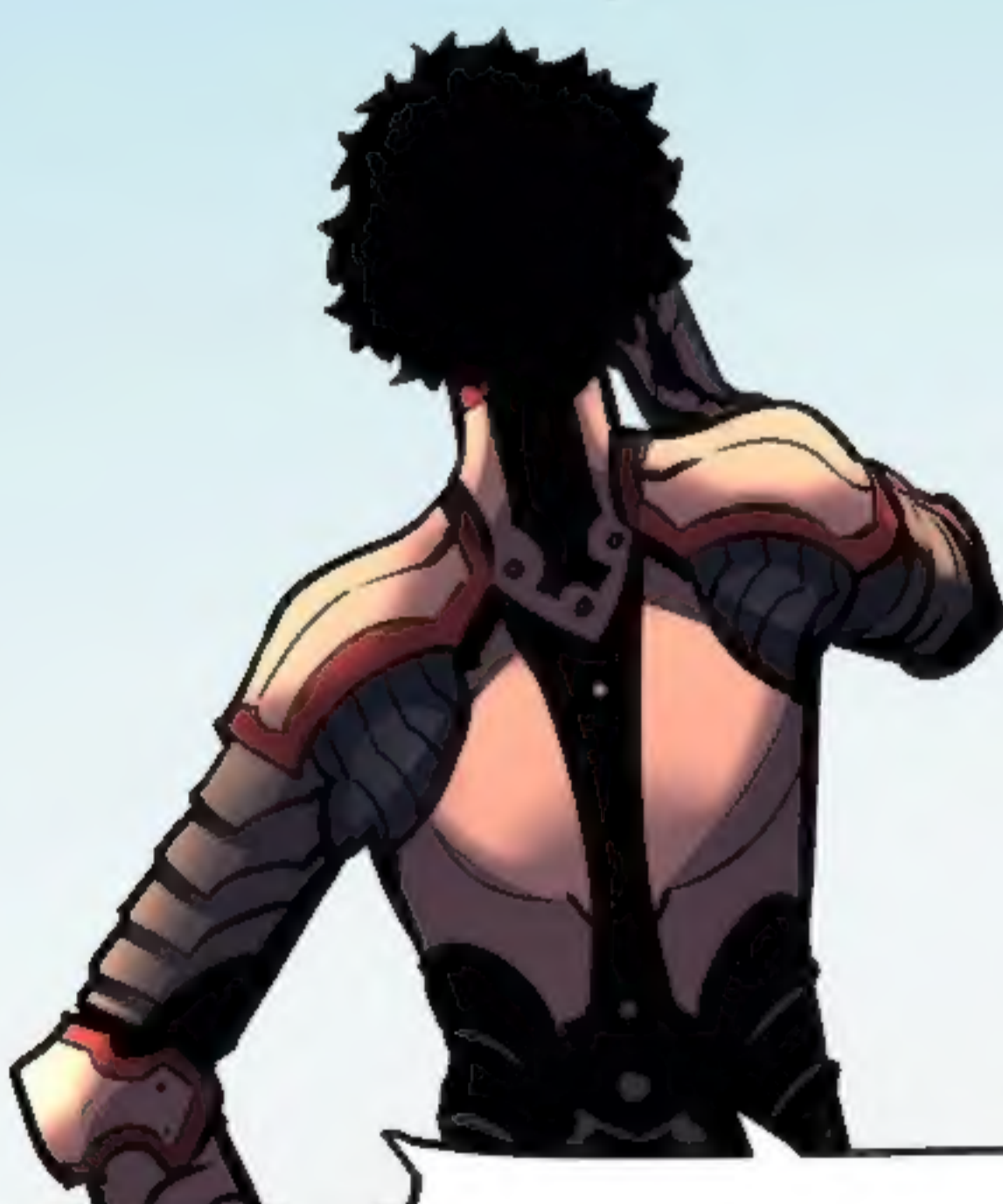
**WHAT?!  
HOW DARE YOU  
DEPLOY MINSUNG  
THERE?!**

**THE ANTS  
MIGHT START  
SHOWING UP, SO  
SEND HIM TO THE  
BACK! AS FAR BACK  
AS POSSIBLE!**



**DO YOU HAVE  
ANY IDEA HOW  
MUCH HE'S  
WORTH?!**

**WHAT?  
THE TROOPS  
HAVE ALREADY  
BEEN DEPLOYED  
AND CAN'T BE  
RECALLED?**



**THEN TELL HIM TO  
FIND COVER AND  
STAY HIDDEN!**

MEANWHILE, AT THE REQUEST  
OF THE HUNTER'S ASSOCIATION,  
THE HUNTERS OF EACH GUILD  
WERE DEPLOYED TO THE  
SOUTH OF THE ISLAND.

NICE, I CAN SCORE  
SOME BROWNIE  
POINTS FOR BEING  
HERE.



**FIEND GUILD**

LEE MINSUNG  
(A-RANK)

THEY WERE STATIONED THERE  
BECAUSE PRECAUTIONS HAD TO  
BE TAKEN. EVEN IF THE RAID  
WERE TO SUCCEED, THERE WAS  
STILL A POSSIBILITY THAT THE  
REMAINING MUTANT ANTS WOULD  
INVADE THE MAINLAND.



**HUNTERS  
GUILD**

SON KIHOOON  
(A-RANK)

STRIKE SQUADS WERE STATIONED TO DEFEND NATIONAL TERRITORY, AND EACH PARTY CONSISTED OF A B-RANK LEADER, THREE C-RANKS, AND MORE THAN 10 D-RANKS AND E-RANKS.



WHITE TIGER  
GUILD

LEE JOOHEE  
(B-RANK)

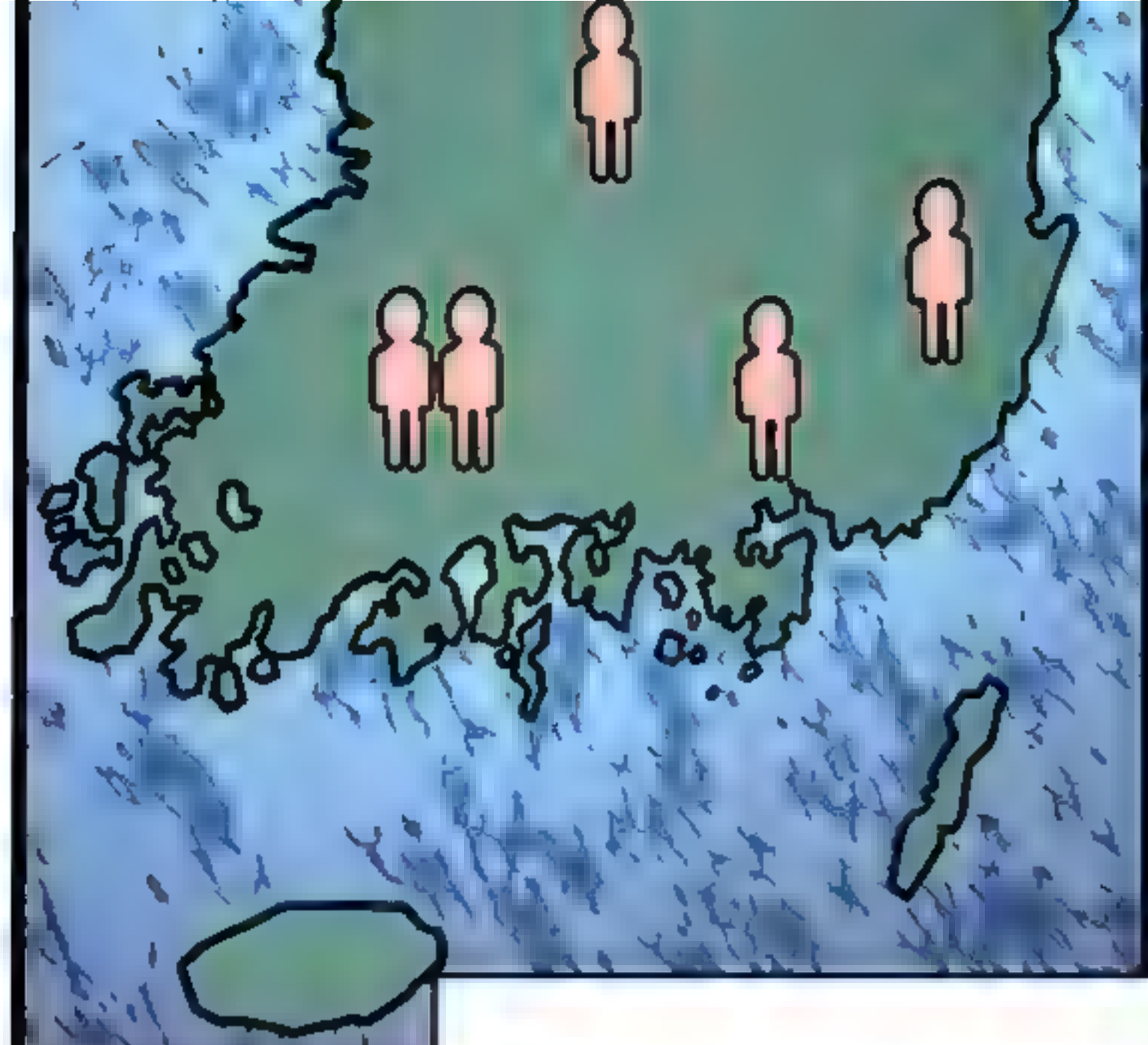
SONG CHIYUL  
(C-RANK)



EVEN RETIRED HUNTERS  
JOINED THE FIGHT, ALONG  
WITH THOSE WHO HAD  
AWAKENED BUT CHOSE NOT  
TO BECOME HUNTERS.

THERE WERE  
5,000 OF THESE  
INDIVIDUALS,





WHICH MEANT THAT 1/10  
OF THE 50,000 AWAKENED  
BEINGS IN SOUTH KOREA  
HAD JOINED THE FIGHT.




I'M A CAMERAMAN  
FROM A NEWS AGENCY  
THAT SPECIALIZES IN  
REPORTING ABOUT  
HUNTERS.



JUST AS MY JOB  
TITLE INDICATES,  
I FILM HUNTERS  
IN ACTION.

THIS RAID  
IS GOING TO BE  
BROADCAST LIVE  
NATIONWIDE.


OH, BUT DON'T  
WORRY ABOUT  
THE RATING.



THERE WILL BE A  
10-MINUTE DELAY BEFORE  
THE FOOTAGE GOES OUT  
ON AIR, SO OUR EDITING  
TEAM WILL BE FILTERING  
THINGS OUT DURING  
THAT TIME.

I CAN'T BELIEVE  
A CAMERAMAN IS  
ACCOMPANYING US ON  
SUCH A DANGEROUS  
MISSION.

WHAT ON  
EARTH WAS MR. GO  
THINKING...?



A TRULY  
SUCCESSFUL  
HUNTER IS ONE THAT  
HAS SOMEONE TO  
PROTECT.

HOWEVER, YOU STILL  
NEED TO TAKE CARE OF  
YOURSELF OUT THERE,  
MR. CAMERAMAN.

YES,  
NOT TO WORRY

NOT TO WORRY.  
I MAY NOT LOOK  
LIKE MUCH, BUT I'M  
STILL AN A-RANK  
HUNTER.



DESPITE HAVING THEIR  
HUNTER'S LICENSE, THERE  
ARE MANY AWAKENED  
INDIVIDUALS WHO CHOOSE  
TO LIVE A NORMAL LIFE  
BECAUSE THEY DISLIKE  
RAIDS.

THE CAMERAMAN,  
WHO HAS AN A-RANK  
HUNTER'S LICENSE,  
WAS ONE OF THESE  
INDIVIDUALS.

I BASICALLY  
HAVE TWO  
PROFESSIONS.



THIS ISN'T  
MY FIRST TIME GOING  
TO A DANGEROUS  
FILMING LOCATION.

I WAS EVEN  
SENT TO COVER A  
FEW DUNGEON  
BREAKS...

BUT OF COURSE...  
I'M NOT QUITE SURE  
HOW HELPFUL MY PAST  
EXPERIENCES WILL BE  
THIS TIME AROUND.



DON'T BE SO  
NERVOUS.

THE HUNTER'S  
ASSOCIATION PROBABLY  
LET A CAMERAMAN  
ACCOMPANY US BECAUSE  
THEY BELIEVE THIS FOURTH  
RAID HAS A GOOD CHANCE  
OF SUCCEEDING.

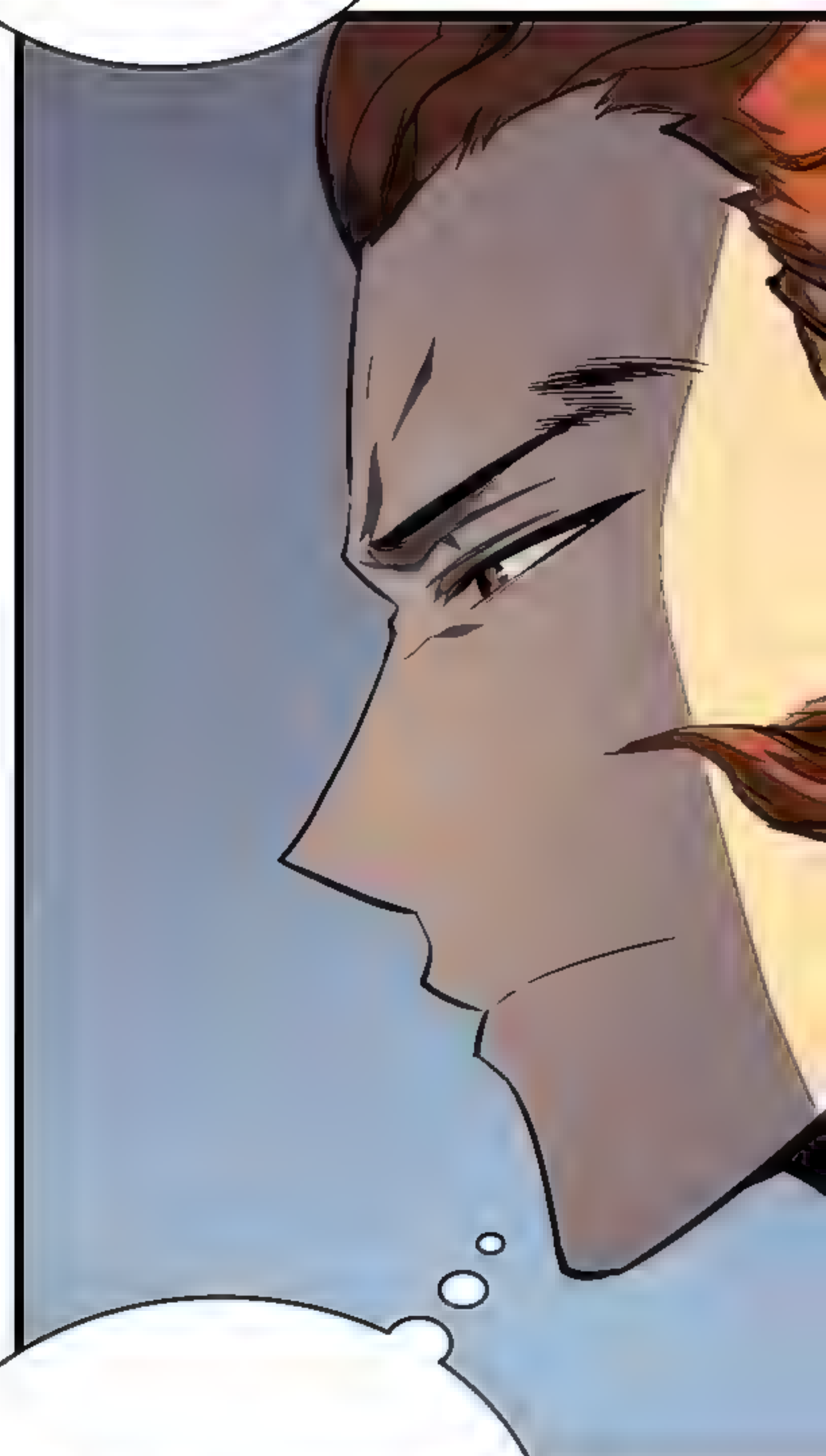
TH, THANK  
YOU.

GOOD TO  
HEAR YOU SAY  
THAT.


THIS WILL BE THE  
FIRST AND LAST TIME  
CIVILIANS WILL GET TO  
WITNESS AN S-RANK  
RAID.

PLUS, WE'VE  
ALREADY FAILED  
THREE TIMES BEFORE  
IN JEJU, SO EVERYONE  
WILL BE EAGERLY  
WATCHING.

LET'S MAKE SURE  
TO SHOW THEM A  
CLEAN VICTORY.



REALISTICALLY SPEAKING,  
IF WE FAIL THIS MISSION,  
THE COUNTRY OF SOUTH  
KOREA COULD BE WIPED  
OFF THE FACE OF  
THE EARTH...



*THE WORLD IS  
IN DIRE NEED OF  
HEROES RIGHT  
NOW.*



ON A  
SEPARATE  
NOTE...

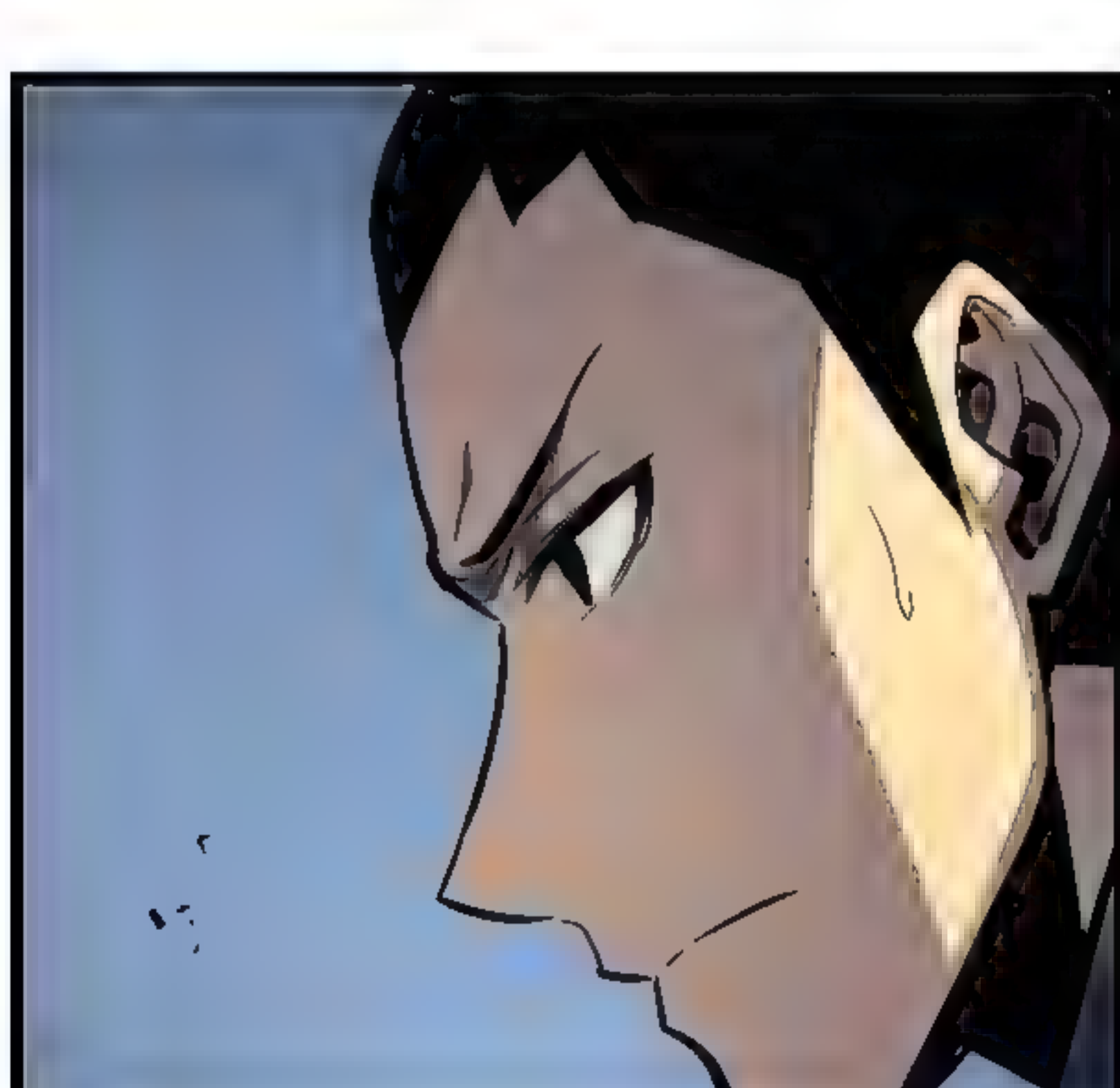
BYUNG-GU,  
I NEVER THOUGHT

I'D SEE YOU  
HERE.





HAHA, LOOKS  
LIKE IT'S TIME  
TO GET DOWN TO  
BUSINESS.







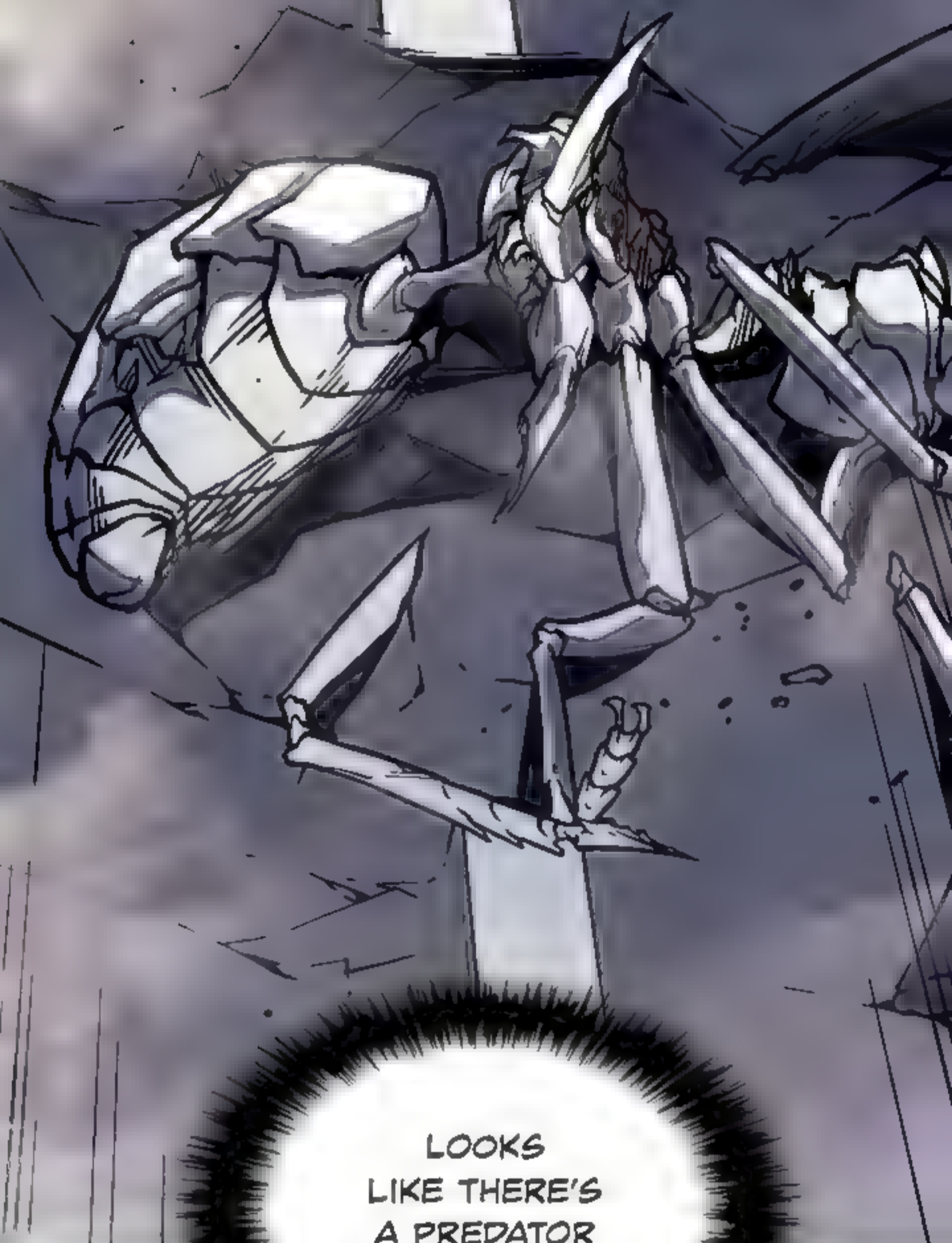


IT'S A  
COMPLETE  
GHOST TOWN  
NOW.



THESE  
CORPSES...

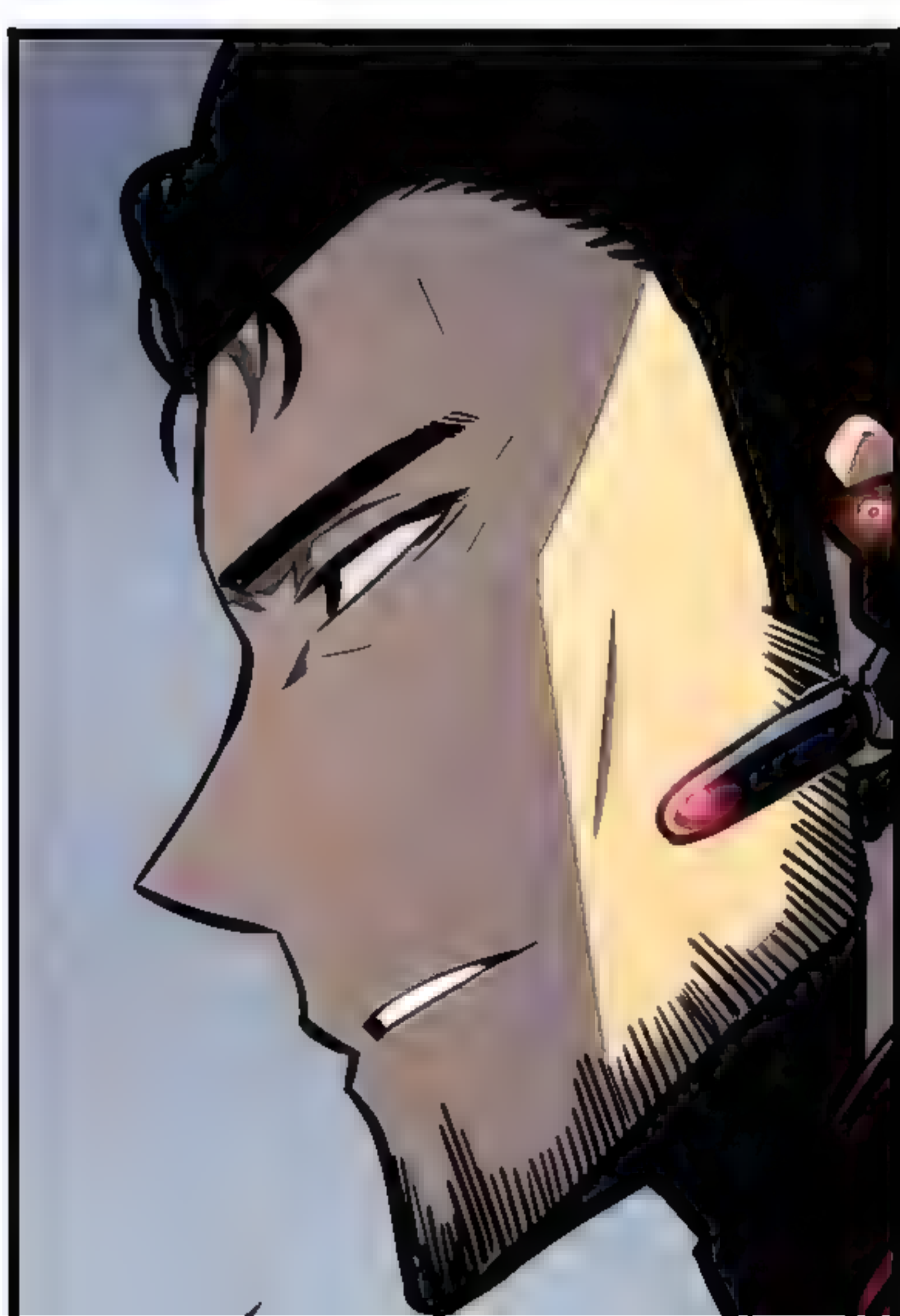
WERE THEY  
CANNIBALIZED BY  
OTHER ANTS?




LOOKS  
LIKE THERE'S  
A PREDATOR  
ABOUT.




THIS IS  
A-ALPHA  
SPEAKING.





REQUESTING  
ROLL CALL,  
OVER.



B-BRAVO,  
OVER.

A close-up of a character's face, partially obscured by a red visor. The character has dark hair and is looking downwards. The background is a light blue sky.



C-CHARLIE,  
OVER.

A close-up of a character's face, wearing glasses. The character has dark hair and is looking downwards. The background is a light blue sky.



D-DELTA,  
OVER.

A close-up of a character's face, with long black hair. The character is looking downwards. The background is a light blue sky.



EVERYONE.

A close-up of a character's face, with a stern expression. The character has dark hair and is looking directly forward. The background is a light blue sky.



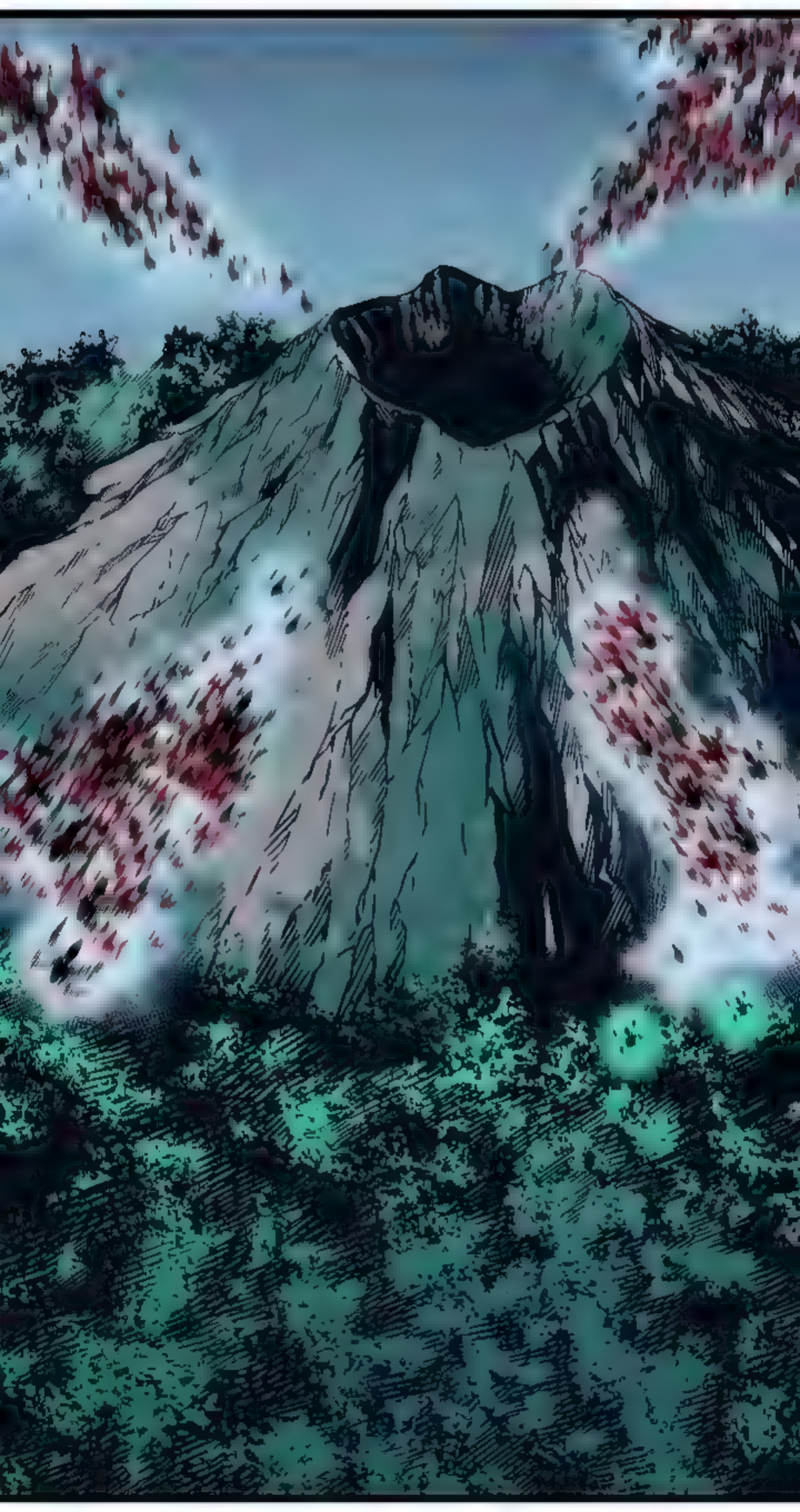
OPEN THE  
FLOODGATES.

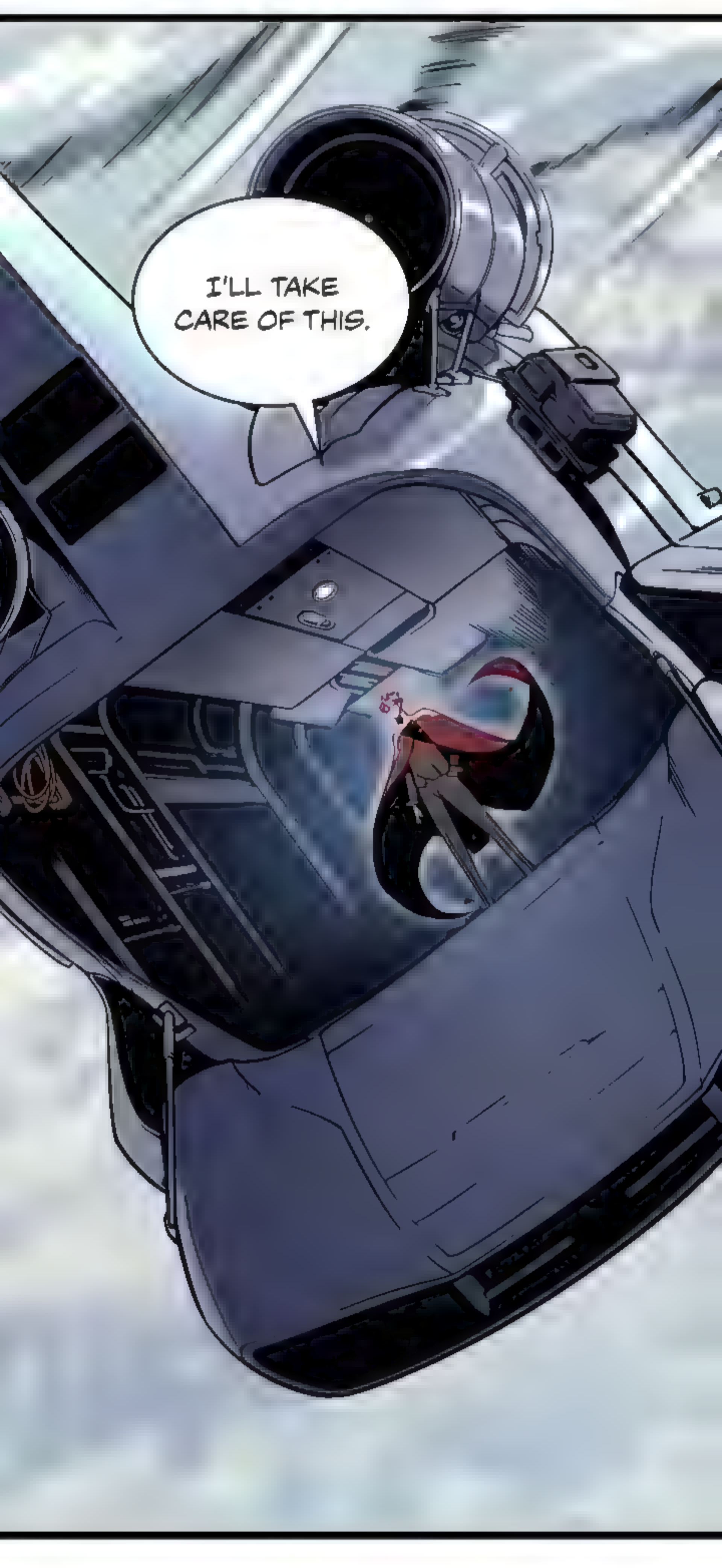




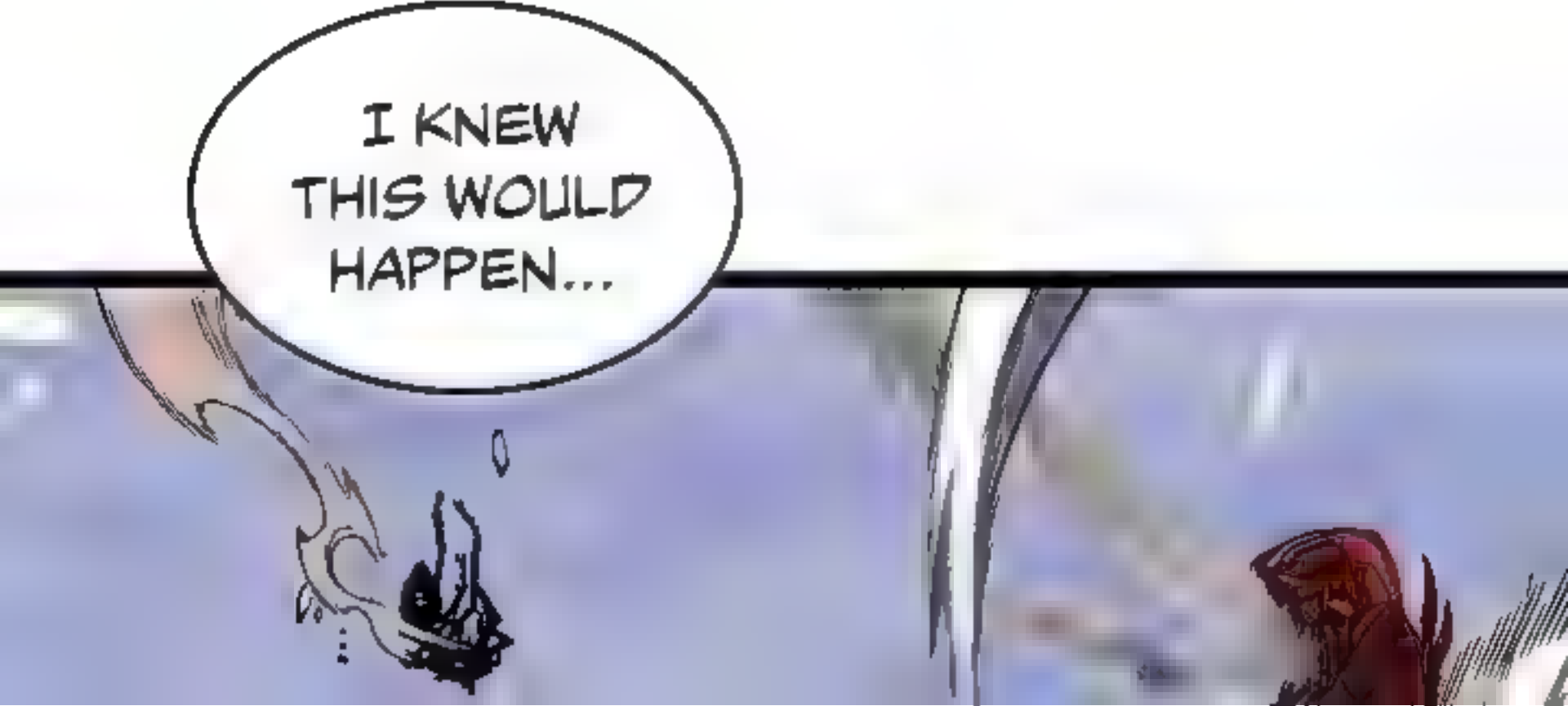
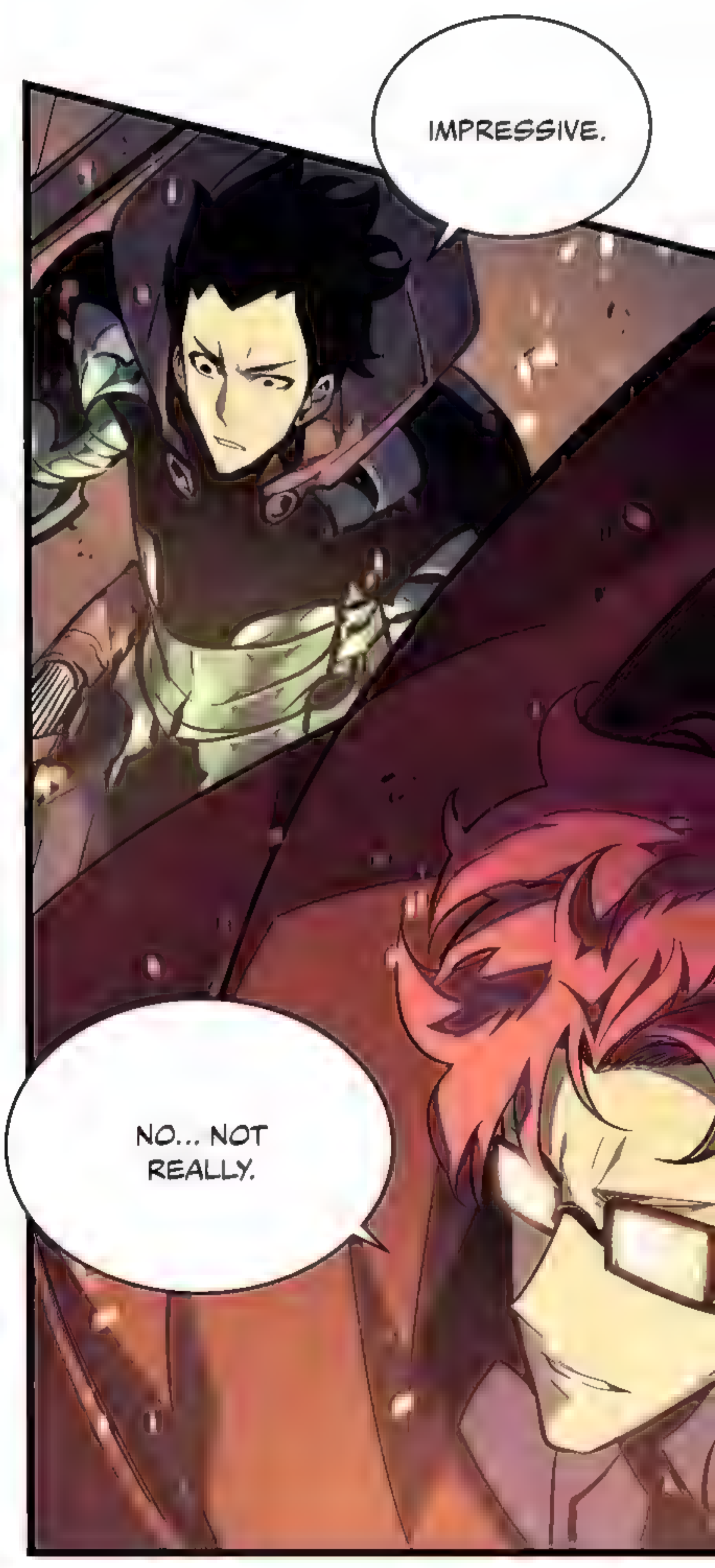
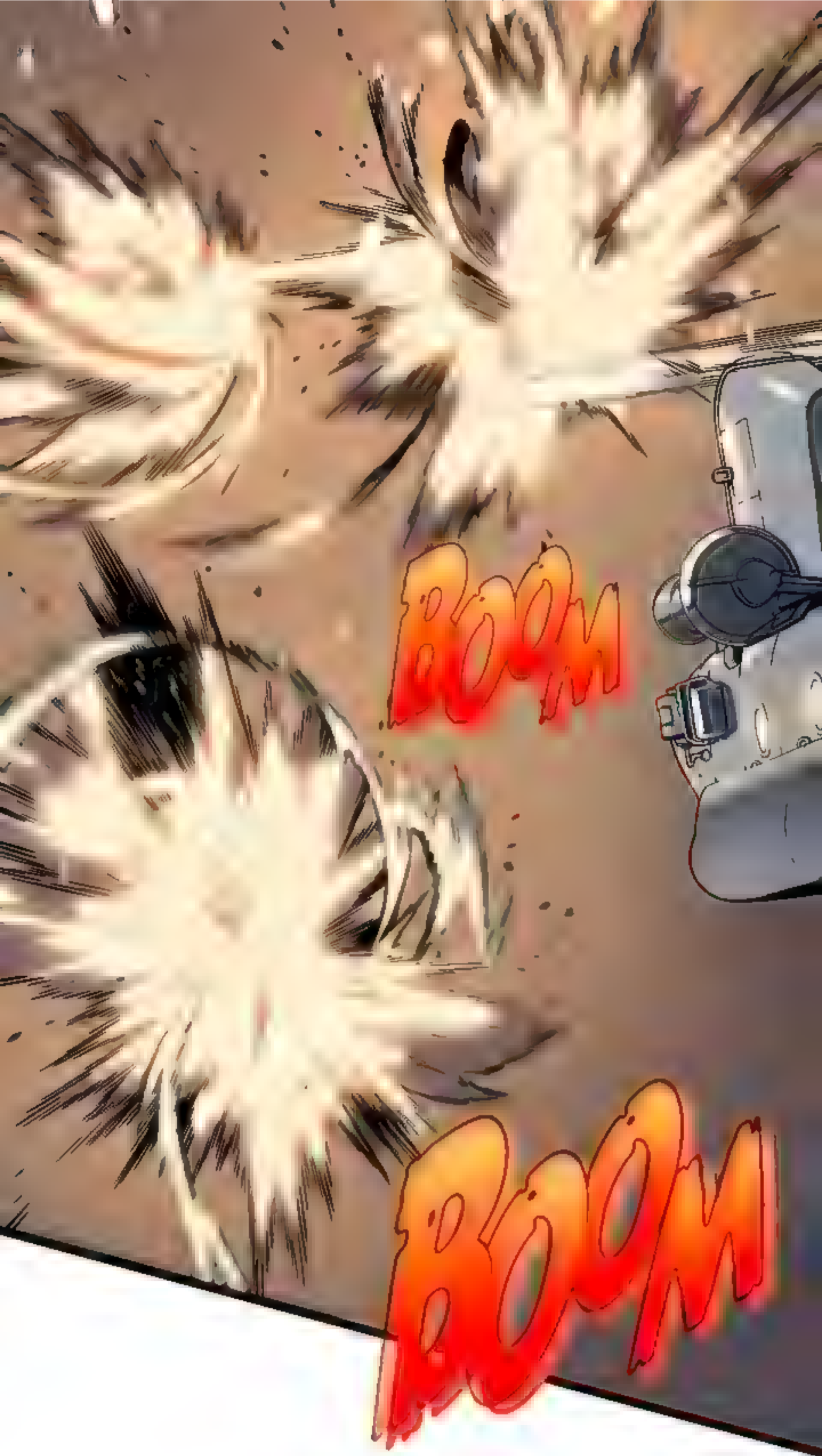
WHOA,  
LOOK AT THE  
INTENSITY OF  
THE MANA  
WAVES....!

THE JAPANESE  
MUST HAVE  
LAUNCHED THE  
OPERATION.











THIS MUCH  
FIRE POWER ISN'T  
ENOUGH TO TAKE  
THEM DOWN.

THERE  
MAY BE SOME  
TURBULENCE,  
SO HOLD ON  
TIGHT.





THE ANTS HAVE  
EVOLVED QUITE A  
LOT. THEY'RE NOT  
LIKE THEY USED  
TO BE.



MY FIRE ATTACK  
WOULD'VE SUFFICED  
IN AN A-RANK DUNGEON,  
BUT THESE GUYS HAVE A  
HIGH RESISTANCE TO MAGIC.  
I HAVE TO USE GREATER  
FORCE.

BUT  
FOR STARTERS,  
I NEED TO GAUGE  
HOW STRONG  
THEY ARE.



UH... HEY,  
COACH  
CHOI!



BLAZE

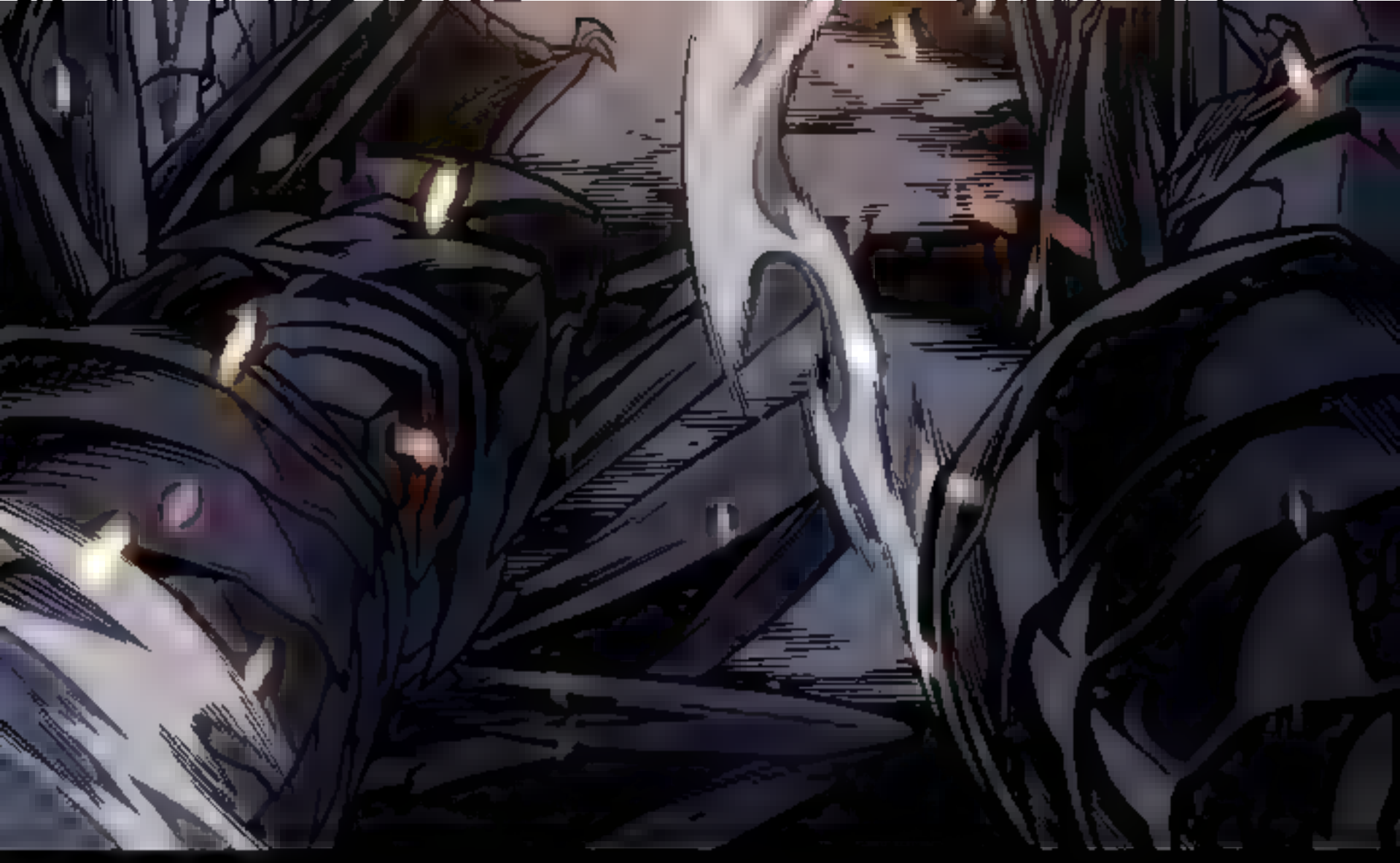
DO YOU  
THINK HE'LL BE  
OKAY...?



HE SHOULD  
BE FINE.

**ESPECIALLY SINCE  
HIS FIRE MAGIC  
SPECIALIZES IN  
FIGHTING MULTIPLE  
OPPONENTS.**







THE LAST  
TIME I PLAYED  
WITH ANTS WAS  
WHEN I WAS A  
LITTLE BOY.

I REMEMBER HEARING  
FAINT SNAPPING NOISES  
EVERY TIME I TORCHED  
AN ANT WITH A  
LIGHTER...



NOW, I HEAR  
FIREWORKS.

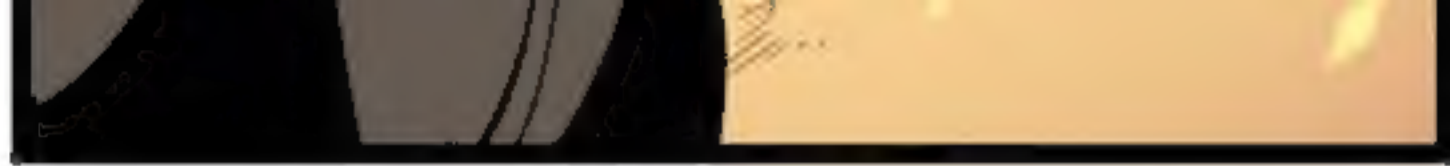


YOU GUYS  
CAN COME  
DOWN.



HAHA...





UNLIKE OUR  
PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS,  
WE WON'T HAVE AN  
ESCAPE ROUTE THIS  
TIME AROUND.

WE COULD  
VERY WELL END UP  
TRAPPED INSIDE THE  
ANT TUNNELS.



THE JAPANESE  
HUNTERS CAN ONLY  
STALL FOR ABOUT  
AN HOUR.

WE MUST DEFEAT  
THE QUEEN IN THAT  
TIME FRAME.



IF YOU WANT TO SAY  
SOMETHING BEFORE  
WE JUMP, KEEP IT  
SHORT.

WE'VE GOT  
THIS IN THE  
BAG.

LET'S GO!



To Be Continued...

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